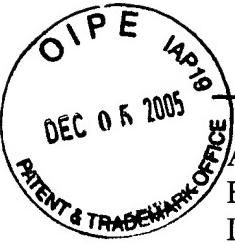


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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF**  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of November 8, 2005, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.